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SUBJECT: MARITIME TRANSPORT COMMITTEE - FOLLOW-UP OF  
UN LINER CODE CONVENTION

1. GERMAN DELEGATION HAS REQUESTED THE OECD SECRETARIAT  
TO CIRCULATE FOLLOWING TEXT TO DELEGATIONS:  
BEGIN TEXT -THE SPOKESMAN FOR SRI LANKA AFTER CONSULTA-  
TION WITH HIS INDIAN COLLEAGUE HAS NOW SUGGESTED TO HOLD  
THE INFORMAL MEETING ON THE CODE OF CONDUCT ON 15 JANU-  
ARY 1977 IN GENEVA. THIS WOULD GIVE A NUMBER OF REPRE-  
SENTATIVES OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES OCCASION TO PARTI-  
CIPATE WHO ARE ATTENDING THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL PREPA-  
RATORY GROUP ON INTERNATIONAL MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT. THE  
MEETING WOULD BE HELD IN THE BUILDING OF ONE OF THE  
GENEVA MISSIONS. REPRESENTATION ON BEHALF OF THE DEVEL-  
OPING COUNTRIES WILL BE REPRESENTATIVE OF MAIN INTERESTS  
IN CODE OF CONDUCT. DEVELOPING COUNTRY SIDE REALIZES  
THAT A FURTHER MEETING OF THIS KIND MIGHT BE NECESSARY  
BEFORE NEXT UNCTAD SHIPPING COMMITTEE IN APRIL 1977.

IF DATE FOR MEETING IS FOUND CONVENIENT IT IS SUGGESTED  
TO CONSIDER THAT A SMALL TEAM OF COUNTRIES REPRESENTING  
MAIN OPINIONS ON CODE SHOULD BE FORMED IN ORDER TO KEEP  
MEETING SMALL AND INFORMAL. SUCH TEAM MIGHT CONSIST OF  
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES: UK, ONE  
SCANDINAVIAN, USA, AUSTRALIA, JAPAN, FRANCE, GERMANY,  
GREECE, NETHERLANDS. NO FORMAL CO-ORDINATION IS FORE-  
SEEN AS PARTICIPANTS WOULD NOT SPEAK ON BEHALF OF GROUP  
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B BUT IN THEIR PERSONAL CAPACITY. AN INFORMAL GET-

TOGETHER FOR DINNER AT NIGHT BEFORE MEETING COULD BE  
ENVISAGED. ANY OTHER COUNTRY INTERESTED IN PARTICIPAT-  
ING AT INFORMAL MEETING IS CERTAINLY FREE TO DO SO.  
HOWEVER, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS PER  
COUNTRY BE RESTRICTED IF POSSIBLE TO ONE OR TWO.  
PLEASE INFORM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER YOU CAN ACCEPT  
A) DATE AND PLACE OF INFORMAL MEETING,  
B) SUGGEST COMPOSITION OF TEAM,  
C) IN CASE YOU ARE NEGATIVE ON B): WHETHER YOU WANT TO  
PARTICIPATE. END TEXT.

2. ACTION REQUESTED - IT IS SUGGESTED THAT REPLY  
SHOULD BE MADE DIRECTLY TO MR. C. HINZ, FEDERAL MINISTRY  
OF TRANSPORT IN HAMBURG, GERMANY.  
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